GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether full medical reimbursement is not being given to the Government employees, Pensioners and their dependents on the treatment of ailment like bypass, heart surgery, stroke, kidney transplant etc. in recognized private hospitals;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (c) CGHS beneficiaries (both serving and pensioners) have the option of availing general/specialized treatment and diagnostic procedure at private hospitals/diagnostic centres recognised under CGHS in various CGHS covered cities after obtaining the recommendation regarding line of treatment from the specialist of CGHS/Government hospital/CMO In-charge of the dispensary and prior permission from the concerned office/Department in the case of serving employees and from the CMO In-charge of CGHS dispensaries in the case of pensioner beneficiaries.

A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) has been entered into by Director, CGHS with each of the private hospitals recognised under CGHS for the cities of Delhi, Ahmedabad, Allahabad, Chennai, Hyderabad, Jabalpur, Jaipur, Kanpur, Meerut, Mumbai, Trivandrum, Patna, Ranchi, Lucknow and Pune.The MOA binds the hospitals notto charge CGHS beneficiaries (both serving and pensioners) over and above the ceiling rates for various medical procedures/tests/investigations fixed under CGHS.

However, reimbursement for certain implants/appliances like pacemaker etc. is limited to the ceiling rate.